

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING

OCTOBER 11, 2012

The special meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:05 pm in the Community Room of the North Haven Memorial Library, 17 Elm Street, North Haven, CT.

Members Present

First Selectman, Michael J. Freda
Second Selectman, Timothy M. Doheny
Third Selectman, Alan J. Sturtz

Mr. Freda introduced himself and Selectmen Timothy Doheny and Alan Sturtz and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Mr. Freda asked for public comments relative to the agenda. Mr. Sherman Katz of Sherwood Drive inquired about the bond release on the agenda for 1981 Whitney Avenue, to Earth Technology Inc. He wondered if we could hold onto the bond money because of the controversy regarding their work on the high school athletic field. Mr. Freda did not believe that legally we could do that since they are separate issues. The Planning and Zoning Commission approved the release of this particular bond pertaining to 1981 Whitney Avenue which they felt was completed satisfactorily. There being no additional comments relative to the agenda, Mr. Sturtz moved the approval of the minutes of the Board of Selectmen's Meeting of September 6, 2012.

Vote: Freda- Yes, Doheny- Yes, Sturtz- Yes

There being no correspondence, Mr. Freda proceeded with a brief introduction of Allison Champlin from Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD). He noted that the Town's Substance Abuse Action Council is actively working to create awareness regarding substance abuse including tobacco, prescription drugs, illicit drugs and alcohol among our youth. He noted that we are working closely with MADD. Allison gave an explanation of MADD's mission to protect families from drunk driving and underage drinking by educating parents and teens on the dangers of underage drinking. She spoke about the parent handbook for talking with teens about alcohol – "Power of Parents". This book is researched based and found to be very effective in helping parents talk to their children about alcohol. They are planning a Power of Parents workshop followed by an assembly with teens. This is designed to enhance the communication between parents and children. She informed the audience about Red Ribbon Week and advised that MADD will be hosting a red ribbon event at the North Haven High home football game on October 26th. MADD will be giving out information for parents, red ribbons and bracelets.

Tim Doheny addressed the audience explaining that the Board was asked to support The Great Give 2012 by signing on to a proclamation and publicizing the event in our community. There are more than 200 nonprofit organizations eligible to receive gifts through this event and many of them serve the residents of North Haven. The Community Foundation for Greater New Haven will be hosting The Great Give 2012 on October 16th and 17th. The Great Give is a 36 hour on-line giving event utilizing giveGreater.org. Mr. Doheny then proceeded to read the proclamation issued by First Selectman Freda proclaiming October 16 and 17, 2012 as the Great Give 2012 in North Haven, Connecticut.

Mr. Freda then proceeded with the Selectman's Overview.

OPERATIONAL

- **Milling and Paving**

The 2012 – 10 1/2 mile milling and paving effort was completed on October 3rd. Letters were mailed to all residents whose roadways were designated for milling and paving operations in 2012. The Department is currently reviewing the BETA Engineering Pavement Condition Study and developing the 2013 milling and paving list.

- 2012 Fall Leaf Collection Program

The Department will begin its annual Fall Leaf Collection Program on November 5th and continue through December 15th, weather permitting. The schedule has been placed in local newspapers as well as on the Town's website and in various Town buildings. Residents are reminded that bulk and bagged leaves must be placed at the curb and NOT in the street itself or across sidewalks. Bulk and bagged leaves must also be placed at the curbside by 5 a.m. on the Monday of your street's designated collection week.

- Construction of Leaf Composting Facility

The Department has been working with its consultant (Stevens Environmental Engineering Services) to prepare the existing landfill located behind the Water Pollution Control Facility on Universal Drive for the development of a leaf composting facility. The CT DEEP has reviewed the Town's application for a Leaf Composting Permit and Disruption Permit and is expected to issue permits to the Department this week. After its first season of leaf composting has concluded The Department will be able to provide all residents in Town with free compost available at its Recycling Center and auction off all surplus compost to interested contractors.

- Crack Sealing Town Roads

Under the Pavement Condition Study as provided to the Town through SCRCOG's consultant, BETA Engineering, 45 roadways in Town were recommended for crack sealing in lieu of milling and paving. The Department has coordinated a 'first ever' crack sealing program along with A and A Asphalt, LLC, the apparent low bidder through the Capital Region Council of Governments bid. Work is scheduled to commence on October 23rd and the estimated to continue for 3 to 4 weeks. A list of roadways scheduled for sealing is on the Town's website.

- Capital Equipment Purchases

The Department under its Fiscal Year 2013 Capital Budget received approval for the purchase of several capital equipment items, including a tree stump grinder, tree bucket truck, computerized vehicle diagnostics and a garage exhaust system. The Dept received the tree stump grinder on August 30th; The tree bucket truck (2003 International) was received on October 5th; The garage exhaust system is being installed this week. The Dept is working with Ali Data Motors to purchase the computer vehicle diagnostic equipment.

- Rehabilitation of Todd's Pond

The Department commenced with the rehabilitation of Todd's Pond located on Maple Avenue. The Department had met with the Southwest Conservation District in July 2011 and discussed its approach to the project. The Department commenced with the draining of the pond on August 30th. The project will include erosion control methods and the removal of sediment. The project may have a duration of several months due to weather conditions.

- Catch Basins – asking residents to clear the basins in front of their homes and refrain from throwing items into the catch basins

- Tag Sales – please remove tag sale signs from poles and trees after your event.

- ADA Modifications to Town Hall

As previously stated, the Town has been awarded an ADA Grant in the amount of \$750,000 for the purpose modifying Town Hall to be ADA compliant with installation of an elevator.

Ground breaking for the project officially started on Monday, October 8th.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- North Haven Show and Sell Business and Community Expo

October 27th, 2012 10:00 am – 3:00 pm, at the North Haven High School. Interested food vendors, businesses and community groups can contact Valerie in the Selectman's office or visit: www.northhavenevents.com to register.

- Yale New Haven Hospital Update:

The Yale New Haven Hospital (YNHH) project continues to move forward with their plans to develop an outpatient center in the former AT&T building at 6 Devine Street. They have purchased and are remodeling the 120,000 square foot, four story building for a comprehensive ambulatory care program. The center will be open seven days a week and will offer a wide variety of very comprehensive services and treatment including: Walk in Primary Care/Urgent Care Center, Inflammatory Disease Center, Smilow Cancer Hospital Care, X-ray / MRI. In addition, YN Health System will consolidate and move some of its information technology office from multiple sites in New Haven to the North Haven facility. The first wave of employees began working in the building this month. By the beginning of 2013 Yale's facilities will be fully occupied and functioning. By then there will be about 300 People working at the

facility.

- Economic Development Updates
 1. Medical Center on State Street with the 24,000 square foot facility
 2. Leon's
 3. Hibachi Grill
 4. Covidien Expansion
 5. Sustainable Building Systems

NOTEWORTHY

- Thank you to our North Haven paid and volunteer Fire Departments, Police Department, DPW and those volunteers who assisted with the 129th Annual State Firemen's Convention, parade and festivities.

- North Haven Substance Abuse Action Council

In conjunction with the National DEA event, Held a Pill Return – Saturday, September 29th at North Haven Fire Headquarters. Upwards of 3,500 units of narcotics were surrendered and 48 pounds of unwanted and expired medications.

- North Haven and Veolia Water Receive 2012 National Council for Public Private Partnerships Award

This prestigious award honors both the length and the success of the partnership between the Town and Veolia Water.

- Reminder - Opt In for Emergency Response Notification System. The ENS system allows texts, cell telephone notifications and land line notifications. www.ct.gov/ctalert

At the conclusion of the Selectman's overview Mr. Doheny read and motioned to approve the following bond releases.

Vote: Freda- Yes, Doheny- Yes, Sturtz- Yes

- 320 Kings Highway, Emerald Realty, Inc.; release the entire bond balance in the amount of \$11,000.00 with the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission.
- 1981 Whitney Avenue, Earth Technology, Inc.; release the entire bond balance in the amount of \$5,000.00 with the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission.
- 190 Montowese Avenue, Pond View Estates Association; release the entire bond balance in the amount of \$135,000.00 with the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission.
- 88 Leonardo Drive, William Leonardo; release the entire bond balance of \$2,750.00 with the recommendation of the Planning & Zoning Commission.
- 370 Bassett Road, Anthem Blue Cross/Blue Shield; release the entire bond balance in the amount of \$4,000.00 with the recommendation of the Planning & Zoning Commission.

Mr. Sturtz moved and Mr. Doheny seconded approval of the following property tax refunds –

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- Abrahamian, Armen, 18 Falcon Crest Drive, North Haven, CT 06473 in the amount of \$16.61.
- Anderson, Kurt or Maureen, 42 Drazen Drive, North Haven, CT 06473 in the amount of \$38.72.
- ARI Fleet LT, 4001 Leadenhall Road, Mt. Laurel, NJ 08054-4611 in the amount of \$123.17.
- Automotive Rentals, Inc., 9000 Midatlantic Drive, Mt. Laurel, NJ 08054-1539 in the amount of \$9.79.
- Balga, Laura or Thomas, 107 Summer Lane, North Haven, CT 06473 in the amount of \$81.21.
- C & V Trucking Co Inc., 21 Brock Street, North Haven, CT 06473 in the amount of \$99.16.
- Chase Auto Finance, Box 901098, Fort Worth, TX 76101 in the amount of \$220.04.
- Chase Auto Finance, 900 Stewart Avenue, Garden City, NY 11530-4855 in the amount of \$345.02, and in the amount of \$393.06.
- Chase Auto Finance, Box 29214, Phoenix, AZ 85038 in the amount of \$365.80.
- Cifarelli, John, 30 Mansfield Road, North Haven, CT 06473 in the amount of \$52.47.
- Cimino, Alphonse or Rose, 41 Rimmon Road, North Haven, CT 06473 in the amount of \$61.18.

- Daimler Trust, Box 685 Roanoke, TX 76262 in the amount of \$576.93.
- DCFS Trust, 2050 Roanoke Road, West Lake, TX 76262 in the amount of \$436.05.
- Financial Ser Veh Trust, 5550 Britton Pkwy, Hilliard, OH 43026 in the amount of \$267.60 and in the amount of \$200.80, and in the amount of \$436.44.
- Honda Lease Trust, 600 Kelly Way, Holyoke, MA 01040-9681 in the amount of \$212.59, and in the amount of \$94.75, and in the amount of \$82.54, and in the amount of \$242.07, and in the amount of \$102.45, and in the amount of \$84.55 and in the amount of \$278.14, and in the amount of \$126.59, and in the amount of \$96.60.
- Kim, Kyeonghee, 1298 Hartford Tpke 2C, North Haven, CT 06473 in the amount of \$125.27.
- Massa, Jennifer Ann, 194 Quinnipiac Avenue 3C, North Haven, CT 06473 in the amount of \$26.33.
- Melillo, Thomas or Deborah, 1164 Hartford Tpke, North Haven, CT 06473 in the amount of \$44.97.
- Millea, Martin J III, 2119 Hartford Tpke, North Haven, CT 06473 in the amount of \$19.29.
- Nissan Infiniti LT, Box 650214, Dallas, TX 75264-0214 in the amount of \$345.02, and in the amount of \$79.62, and in the amount of \$272.88.
- Nissan Infiniti LT, Box 254648, Sacramento, CA 95865 in the amount of \$336.79.
- Suppa, Antonio, 150 Cloudland Road, North Haven, CT 06473 in the amount of \$113.65.
- Tenedine, Joan, 14 Hilltop Terrace, North Haven, CT 06473 in the amount of \$51.22.
- Toyota Motor Credit Corp., Box 105386, Atlanta, GA 30348 in the amount of \$31.61.
- USB leasing LT, 1850 Osborn Avenue, Oshkosh, WI 54902 in the amount of \$155.71.

Mr. Freda stated that the next meeting of the Board of Selectmen is scheduled for Thursday, November 1, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the community room of the North Haven Memorial Library, 17 Elm Street, North Haven, CT.

Mr. Freda then asked if there was any public comment. Mr. John Heeran, Debra Lane, commented that they did a wonderful job of paving the roads in Town. He would like to see the areas near the railroad tracks repaired because they are in poor condition. He understands that they are the responsibility of the rail road and perhaps we could contact the state to get them taken care of. He also noted that what used to take months years ago, like leaf pick up, now only takes one month due to the efficiencies of our Public Works Department.

Mr. Freda also reminded everyone that they should not put their leaves into the roadways, but at the edge of their properties at the curb. If the leaves are in the roads, and your street is scheduled for crack sealing, the leaves will interfere with the process.

Mr. Freda then asked for any additional public comment. Hearing none and seeing none, he thanked everyone for coming. Mr. Doheny motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 pm.

Vote: Freda – Yes, Doheny- Yes, Sturtz- Yes